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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 161  
By Davis (Wash)

A RESOLUTION To recognize the East Tennessee State  
University College of Business.

WHEREAS, It is the privilege of this legislative body to pay tribute to those remarkable educational institutions that have distinguished themselves as leaders in their fields; and

WHEREAS, The East Tennessee State University College of Business, is one such outstanding institution; and

WHEREAS, This extraordinary college was recently awarded reaccreditation from the International Association for Management Education, formerly the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business; and

WHEREAS, The accreditation places East Tennessee State University in an elite group, among the top 25% of the 1,500 colleges of business in the United States and Europe; and

WHEREAS, To achieve reaccreditation, business programs must demonstrate high standards of business education in curriculum, faculty resources, admissions, degree requirements, library and computer facilities, financial resources, and intellectual contributions;

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and the program at the East Tennessee State University College of Business more than meets these standards; and

WHEREAS, East Tennessee State University's College of Business provides high-quality education experiences to equip students, and other individuals and organizations, primarily within the Southern Appalachian region, with the abilities and technological skills to succeed in business, government, and related professions; and

WHEREAS, The peer review team that conducted the accreditation stated in its report that “the College of Business is commended on its faculty, who are accessible and willing to work with their students, its responsiveness to the needs of the area, and for making valuable contributions to the economic development of the region. Courses, like the MBA’s strategic experience capstone course, provide students hands-on learning experiences while assisting local businesses. ETSU’s students are impressively poised and mature. They are extremely loyal to the college, appreciative of the faculty and dedicated to the university”; and

WHEREAS, Business accreditation makes a degree from East Tennessee State University’s College of Business one of the best education buys in the market; its reasonable tuition is money well spent, since the value of a baccalaureate degree to Tennessee residents is reflected in enhanced lifetime earnings of approximately \$1.3 million; and

WHEREAS, ETSU instructors and administrators perform their duties with the utmost skill, integrity, and dedication; and East Tennessee State University Business College is truly one of the finest regional colleges in the Nation; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that this General Assembly should honor those institutions that stand as academic models of excellence, thus serving to educate and enrich the lives of the students in their care; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby congratulate the East Tennessee State University College of

Business on its reaccreditation, commend the faculty and administration on its commitment to quality, and extend to the students, faculty, and administration of the College our best wishes for every future success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.